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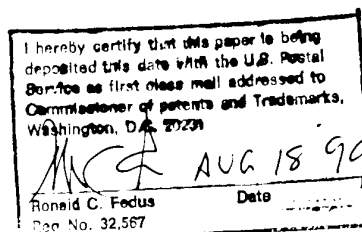
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115
(IN RESPONSE TO THE FEBRUARY 18, 1999 OFFICE ACTION)

Dear Sirs:

In connection with their above-identified application, Applicants are submitting this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 in response to the Office Action mailed on February 18, 1999 in connection with the above-identified application. This Amendment is being accompanied by a Request For An Extension Of Time (3 months) and authorization for the small entity fee therefor. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.



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